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NOTICE TO THE TRADE

The waiver for Nonmanufacturer Rule for the following commodities has expired on December 31, 2006. Therefore, small businesses engaged in small business set aside programs (8(a)) must provide the product of small processors for the new contracts awarded starting January 2007 until the new waiver for Nonmanufacturer Rule is obtained.

Canned Fruit in #2, #2 ½, #10, #300 & #303

Fruit Cocktail

Mixed Fruit

Clingstone Peaches

Pineapple (all styles except tidbit/cube)

Cranberry Sauce

Fresh Fruit

Grapefruit (34-39 lb carton)

Canned Vegetable in #1, #10 & #300

Carrots

Peas

Whole Corn (#10 only)

Mixed Vegetables

Vegetable Soup

Vacuum Packed Vegetable

Whole Corn (75oz pack)

Frozen Vegetable

Green Peas (30 lb container)

The following commodities have been approved for waiver indefinitely from the Nonmanufacturer Rule:

Tomato Paste, Canned

Spinach, Canned

Apricots, Canned

Citrus Sections, Canned

Please feel free to direct all questions or comments to Commodity Procurement Branch at (202) 720-4517.

Sincerely,

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